GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

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LOADING OF PARCEL
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government are aware of the fraudulent practices prevalent in over loading parcel and loading charges;

(b) if so, the details of measures taken to check such activities in all railway divisions, particularly in Eastern Railway during the last three years and the current year;

(c) whether any complaints have been received regarding the over loading in railway wagon at Pakud Station; and

(d) if so, the details thereof and the action taken in this regard ?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI DIGVIJAY SINGH)

(a) : Yes, Sir.

(b) : In order to check over loading of parcels, Zonal Railways conduct periodical as well as surprise checks. Whenever any over loading is detected, penal freight is realised as per rules. In Eastern Railway, during the last three years i.e. 1997, 1998, 1999, no case of over loading was detected. However, during the current year, two cases of over loading were detected in 2842 Coromandal Exp. and 2382 Poorva Exp. on 7.2.2000 and 9.2.2000 respectively and penalty charges amounting to Rs. 15641/- and Rs. 2276/- respectively were realised for excess weight.

(c) : No, Sir.

(d) : Does not arise.